CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

NOTICE OF WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD FOR TENTATIVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY ORDER NO. R9-2021-0188

IN THE MATTER OF SEAWORLD LLC DBA SEAWORLD SAN DIEGO SEAWORLD SAN DIEGO, SAN DIEGO COUNTY DISCHARGE TO MISSION BAY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is considering the adoption of Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Civil Liability Order No. R9-2021-0188 (Stipulated Order). The Stipulated Order is a settlement agreement between SeaWorld LLC dba SeaWorld San Diego (Discharger) and the San Diego Water Board's Prosecution Team to address mandatory minimum penalties associated with alleged serious effluent violations of Order No. R9-2018-0004, Waste Discharge Requirements for SeaWorld LLC DBA SeaWorld San Diego, SeaWorld San Diego Discharge to Mission Bay, San Diego County.

To resolve the alleged violations without formal administrative proceedings, the Discharger has agreed to the final imposition of an administrative civil liability in the amount of \$12,000, the mandatory minimum penalty amount required by California Water Code section 13385.

Document Availability

A copy of the Stipulated Order is available for download and review from the San Diego Water Board's website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board decisions/tentative orders/

Written Comment Period

The San Diego Water Board is accepting written comments on the Stipulated Order. Written comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on October 28, 2021.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the Stipulated Order during the public comment period by e-mail to the attention of Mr. Keith Yaeger (SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov). Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "Comment - Stipulated Order No. R9-2021-0188, 256121:KYaeger". The San Diego Water Board may refuse to accept written comments received after the deadline. All comments timely received will be provided to the San Diego Water Board, or its delegate, to consider whether to accept or deny the Stipulated Order.

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